

HORSE TRIALS BC
Directors Meeting Pre-AGM
By Zoom
November 21, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

Attendance: Julie Johannson, Jan Mills, Diana Jamison, Debbie Dorosh, Maeve Drew, Ron Trickett, Brandy Saunders, Sabrina Glaser, Shaye Kozak, TJ Drake, Carol McDonald, Ali Holmes-Smith, Sue Kovacik, Lynda Ramsay, Sarah McKenzie.

Absent: none

Recording Secretary: Jan Mills

Meeting called to order @ 9:22 am by Julie Johannson, President

Agenda: additions to agenda – add under new business, Hi Performance Support, Sabrina Glaser
 Add under Business Arising – Elections, Julie Johannson

MOTION: to accept the agenda. Maeve Drew/Shaye Kozak carried.

Minutes: minutes of September 22, 2020 meeting circulated by email.

Error noted: Horse Reg is not a US company, WePay is US.

MOTION: accept minutes as circulated. Ron Trickett/Ali Holmes-Smith, carried.

Business Arising from September 22, 2020 minutes:

- **New website update** – info is being uploaded next week. We are waiting on the new name to be confirmed. BC Equestrian Eventing Association but can call ourselves BC Eventing.
- **Name Change – 2020 Rebrand – Julie** – we need to have the special resolution done for the AGM to confirm the name change. We need to reapply for the name change as our last application was complicated by Covid. Diana will do the new application for name change by December 9/20 so we have the new name confirmed for Notice of AGM, special resolution which goes out January 2/21. Carol will ask Tyler to have some drafts of the new logo ready for the AGM so we can share with the members. Tyler will share with the board by Jan 15th.
- **Bylaw update – Carol** –discussed the proposed changes that will be brought to the membership. Discussion around Term of the President and how to word this appropriately in the Bylaws.
The office of the President shall be for 1 term of 2 years. No president shall serve more than 2 consecutive 2 year terms unless circumstances prevail which are considered and declared extraordinary by a secret ballot vote of two thirds of the Directors. Under such circumstances, the position may be extended for further 2 year terms.
 Suggested to add a clause in 7.7 “Proceedings of Directors” - *directors may participate in meetings by telephone or other communication medium if all persons participating are able to communicate with each other in real time.*
 Discussion on virtual vote – this is covered as an emergency situation but should it be in the bylaws as non-emergency as well? On line or electronic voting? Article 3 & 4, we will look further at this for next year.
MOTION: to accept the proposed changes to our bylaws as described and documented by Carol. Maeve Drew/Ali Holmes-Smith, carried.
- **AGM Planning** – date is set for January 23, 2021. We will use the Zoom platform and will sort out how the polling works etc so we are organized for the meeting. Zoom does allow connectivity with the members which is good in our current world circumstance. Small reports from committee chairs, these can be verbal or by email. Financials will need to be shared electronically by email. Special resolutions

will need to go out by email. Maybe some BC Summer Games info to go out. Diana to check with Marilyn to confirm date of January 2/21 to send out info to the members giving the required number of days prior to the AGM. Info should be ready to be reviewed by the BOD by December 19th so we can put it together as a finished package for Marilyn to send out info 3 weeks prior to AGM and a reminder closer to the AGM.

Directors will meet January 16th 9am before the AGM to test the platform and view the logo drafts.

- **Elections** – Shaye to organize directors that are up for election this year. Debbie, Diana, Jan, Sabrina, Shaye & Sarah. Diana will do 1 more year as treasurer - everyone needs to think of who could take on the task of treasurer. Diana will need time to transition the financials to a new Treasurer. Diana will put together a job description and share with the BOD.

Correspondence: letter shared from Sierra Hincks thanking us for the Jordan McDonald bursary.

Financial Report to be given at AGM: Diana shared that over 200 members joined this year. There are always ongoing financial transactions going on even in this year of Covid. We show a loss of over \$8000 this year. 2020 memberships are extended to the 2021 year. We will have a membership revenue loss for 2021 as well. At this point we don't know what 2021 will look like. We will be using some of the GIC money or HTC funds to keep the organization going. We need to look at redoing certain things when budgeting. The financial statements will show where the losses are. Diana will send financials out to BOD for everyone to read and email if they have questions. We will plan a budgeting call after the AGM. We have asked Harrison if a refund of our deposit is possible. Harrison has indicated this can be done but Jan is waiting for the paperwork. No application made to Gaming this year as we received a grant of \$4300 in November 2019 that we have not been able to spend yet due to Covid.

Committee Reports to be given at the AGM:

We don't want to spend too much time talking about what we couldn't do in 2020 but rather talk about what we could potentially/hopefully do in 2021. Reports can be verbal or submitted electronically.

New Business –

Omnibus update – Carol – Organizers are working on the 2021 schedule.

BC Summer Games – Prince George 2022. How do we grow the bottom end of our sport? Derby's, starter and pre-entry divisions. Julie shared what is on the table for discussion & conversation at the EC Eventing meeting. The EC office is currently working from home in different parts of the country. Lots of conversation around EC & the issues within EC and how this relates to the Provinces and our sport as a whole.

Email from Jamie Kidston – they are trying to open the door for Kyra to compete. BOD should review the letter for discussion. This is with EC to go on the table at the next EC meeting. This doesn't have much to do with HTBC other than our need to be aware of what's going on so we can support our organizers. What is challenging for our organizers? It is up to EC to create the rules around this for the Provinces to follow. Jamie is happy to answer our questions should we have any. We need to be kept up to date on where this sits related to competitions.

Hi Performance Support – Sabrina – the current Covid restrictions related to Hi Performance athletes. Sabrina shared her recent experience and frustrations around competitions for these athletes to bring horses up to Olympic qualifying levels.

Future meeting dates -

Directors financial review – date to be set up through email.

Directors meeting – January 16, 2021 at 9am by Zoom

AGM – January 23, 2021 by Zoom

Adjourn: MOTION: to adjourn. Maeve Drew/Ron Trickett, carried.

Meeting adjourned 12:35 am.